PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since the first day of life the strength of American has lied in the hands of mothers, and

SINCE, the beginning of wars, Mothers have given up their most prized possession, Their Children.

THEREFORE, in 1925 Congress acted and chartered that there be an organization honoring and including all mothers of the service men and women. They named it the American War Mothers Club.

SO, NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Foss, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim that throughout the land and in the Great State of South Dakota, the day preceding Mother's Day, Saturday, May 10, is declared as

AMERICAN WAR MOTHERS DAY

when all our people will recognize and turn their profound and positive thoughts to the Mothers who have given and give up their time, to protect our country and its liberty and freedom during peace and war.

And Further, the good organization of the American War Mothers will do this year and continue to, as in the past, conduct their Mother's Day Services at the Arlington National Cemetary.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of State to be affixed, done at the Capitol in the City of Pierre, on this Day of April 11th, 1958.

ATTEST:

Clara Halley
Secretary of State

Joe Foss
Governor

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